

Key Features of E-diary for the Expenditure Survey in Korea

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Background of the E-diary

◆ HIES (until 2016)

- Conducted monthly : keep a diary on a daily basis
- Quarterly release of data
- Diary-keeping method is used
- Sample Size : 8,700 households
- A sample was asked to keep the diary for 3 years

Introduction of the E-diary

- Developed the E-diary system in 2005
- Applied to the survey from 2006
- About 50% of the respondents used it in 2016

Main features of E-diary

[1] Conducted on the computer and the Internet

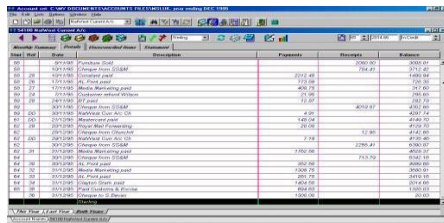
- Download E-diary Program & update it on a daily basis
- Transfer the data to NSO DB online every month
- ✓ Enumerators had reduced work to collect diaries



Main features of E-diary(2)

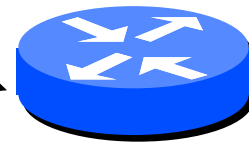
[2] Screen import solution

- Access bank or credit card accounts, import data to the respondent's diary
- ✓ Easy to update the diary
- ✓ Reduce missing data



Year	Month	Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance
2012	01	01	Opening Balance		100.00	100.00
2012	01	05	ATM Withdrawal	50.00		50.00
2012	01	10	Salary Deposit		200.00	250.00
2012	01	15	Online Payment	20.00		230.00
2012	01	20	Interest Income		5.00	235.00
2012	01	25	ATM Withdrawal	30.00		205.00
2012	01	30	ATM Withdrawal	40.00		165.00
2012	01	31	Closing Balance			165.00

Bank & credit card accounts



Screen import solution

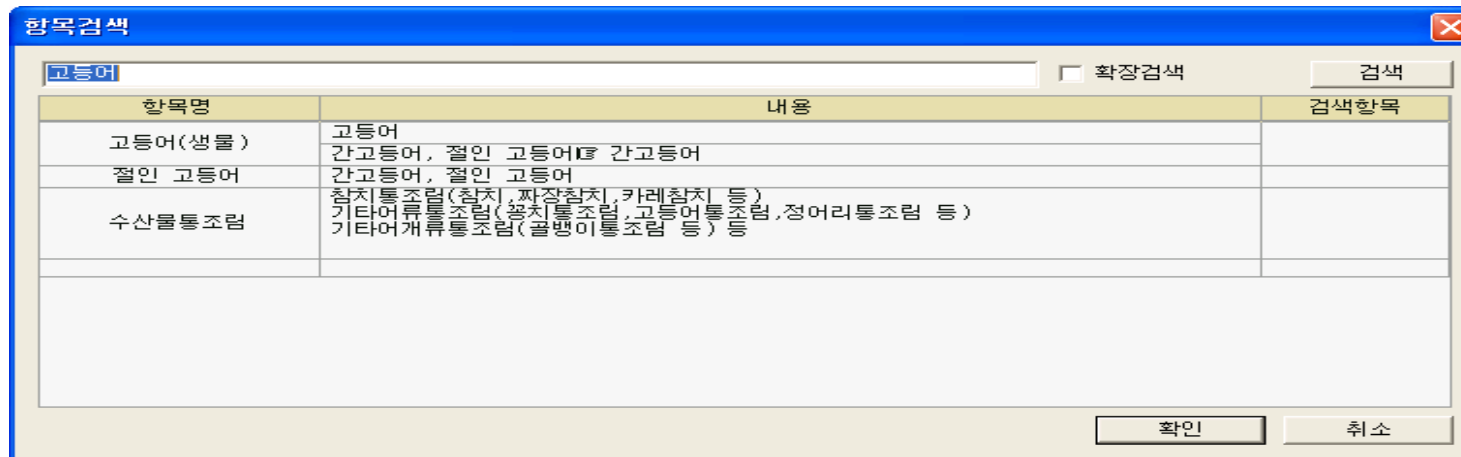


One-stop access & import

Main features of E-diary(3)

[3] Code search engine

- Data is classified by respondents using the code search engine
 - ✓ Reduces coding error
 - ✓ Saves time for enumerators



The screenshot shows a software window titled '항목검색' (Item Search). At the top, there is a search input field containing the text '고등어' (cod), a checkbox for '확장검색' (Advanced Search), and a '검색' (Search) button. Below the search bar is a table with three columns: '항목명' (Item Name), '내용' (Content), and '검색항목' (Search Item). The table contains three rows of data. At the bottom of the window, there are '확인' (Confirm) and '취소' (Cancel) buttons.

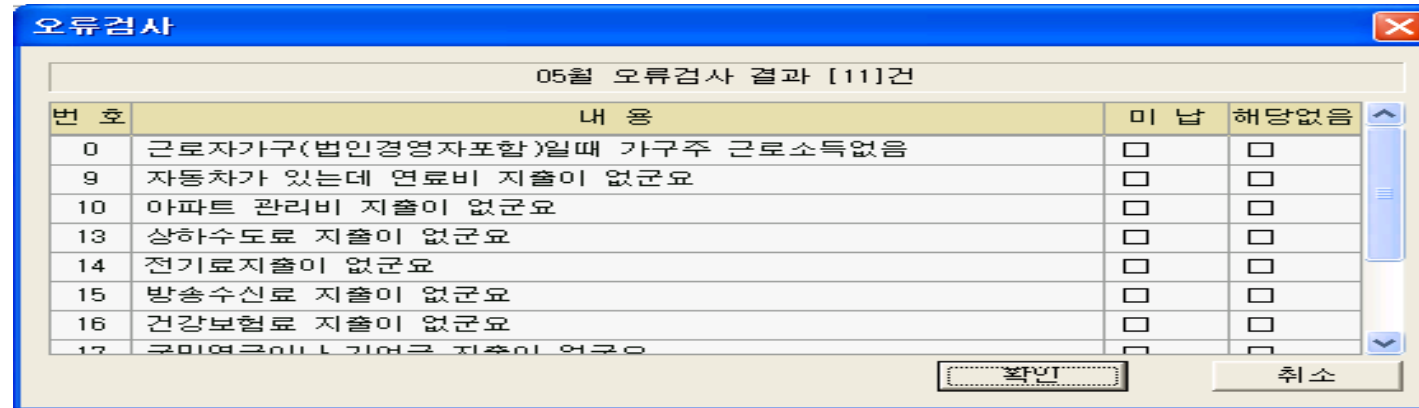
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절인 고등어	간고등어, 절인 고등어	
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Search box and result

Main features of E-diary(4)

[4] Automated editing system

- Editing system is applied to the E-diary
- Data checking & correcting occurs when respondents enter the data
- ✓ Reduces response error & Saves time for enumerators



번호	내용	미납	해당없음
0	근로자가구(법인경영자포함)일때 가구주 근로소득없음	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	자동차가 있는데 연료비 지출이 없군요	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	아파트 관리비 지출이 없군요	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	상하수도료 지출이 없군요	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14	전기료지출이 없군요	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15	방송수신료 지출이 없군요	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16	건강보험료 지출이 없군요	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17	국민연금이나 기연금 지출이 없군요	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Response Error message

Main features of E-diary(5)

[5] Diverse economic data for the respondents

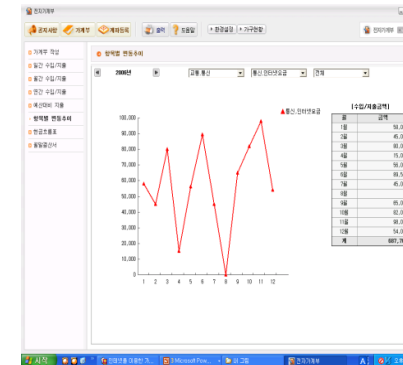
- Table & graphic analysis reports for the respondent households expenditures
- Sample households can assess the level, structure & trend of their own economic well-being



Table report



Graphic report



Trend report by item

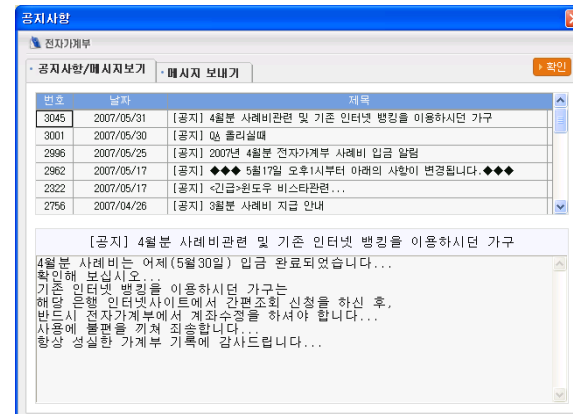
Main features of E-diary(6)

[6] Online & mobile contact point

- Mobile message service & online notice board
- Respondents & enumerators are able to contact each other freely



Mobile message service



Notice & message board

Advantages and Limitations

■ Advantages

- Increased convenience of records keeping
- Reduced non-sampling error
- Better tool for households hard to reach in the daytime

■ Limitations

- Some age groups are not used to electronic system
- Less detailed classifications and higher minimum unit value by respondents in comparison to paper-diary by interviewers